

Table 2.04 - Percentage distribution of drug abuse episodes by selected episode characteristics and facility location according to age, race/ethnicity, and gender: 2000

ALL PATIENTS

Episode characteristics and facility location	TOTAL ¹	Age (in years)						
		6-11	12-17	18-25	26-34	35-44	45-54	55+
DRUG CONCOMITANCE								
Single-drug episode	43.8	84.5	57.2	46.7	42.1	38.4	40.9	48.3
Multi-drug episode	56.2	15.5	42.8	53.3	57.9	61.6	59.1	51.7
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of episodes	601,776	1,024	63,448	123,438	135,531	175,060	78,813	23,423
DRUG USE MOTIVE								
Psychic effects	19.7	40.4	33.4	26.3	17.6	15.3	13.8	13.0
Recreational use	12.6	...	23.5	19.4	11.5	8.2	7.1	4.9
Other psychic effects	7.1	29.2	9.9	6.9	6.0	7.0	6.7	8.1
Dependence	36.1	1.1	6.9	26.9	41.7	45.2	44.8	35.9
Suicide	32.1	43.1	48.1	34.1	28.6	28.0	29.2	38.1
Other	1.4	1.5	2.1	1.7	1.1	1.0	1.2	3.2
Unknown/no response.....	10.7	14.1	9.5	11.0	11.1	10.6	11.0	9.8
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of episodes	601,776	1,024	63,448	123,438	135,531	175,060	78,813	23,423
REASON FOR ED CONTACT								
Unexpected reaction	15.4	5.9	15.3	18.7	15.8	14.4	13.3	10.7
Overdose	43.9	79.0	60.8	46.9	39.3	38.6	42.4	53.2
Chronic effects	8.7	0.7	2.2	4.7	9.0	11.1	13.9	10.7
Withdrawal	3.7	2.3	4.1	4.8	4.9	7.2
Seeking detoxification	15.1	0.8	2.5	12.9	19.0	19.2	14.4	9.3
Accident/injury	2.7	1.7	1.6	3.4	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.2
Other	6.0	...	11.8	6.1	5.5	5.3	4.6	3.3
Unknown/no response	4.1	1.9	5.4	5.1	4.6	4.2	4.1	3.4
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of episodes	601,776	1,024	63,448	123,438	135,531	175,060	78,813	23,423
PATIENT DISPOSITION								
Treated and released	45.7	46.0	52.5	50.9	45.9	43.5	40.2	33.3
Admitted to hospital	50.9	53.3	45.6	45.6	50.6	52.9	55.7	64.5
Left against medical advice	2.0	...	0.8	1.9	2.4	2.3	2.3	1.5
Died	0.3	.	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1
Unknown/no response	1.1	...	1.1	1.4	0.9	1.0	1.5	0.6
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of episodes	601,776	1,024	63,448	123,438	135,531	175,060	78,813	23,423
FACILITY LOCATION ²								
Central city	67.2	52.1	36.7	56.9	69.3	73.5	75.6	68.9
Outside central city	32.8	47.9	63.3	43.1	30.7	26.5	24.4	31.1
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Number of episodes	258,664	309	17,562	45,238	62,254	83,733	39,275	9,735

¹ Includes episodes for which age was unknown or not reported.

² Only pertains to 21 metropolitan areas.

NOTE: These estimates are based on a representative sample of non-Federal short-stay hospitals with 24-hour emergency departments in the coterminous U.S.

SOURCE: Office of Applied Studies, SAMHSA, Drug Abuse Warning Network, 2000 (03/2001 update).